

THE PLATFORM.

Following is the platform adopted by the National Democratic convention:

Section 1.—The representatives of the Democratic party, assembled in National Convention assembled, do reaffirm their allegiance to the principles of the party as formulated by Jefferson and exemplified by that long and illustrious line of his successors in Democratic leadership from Madison to Cleveland. We believe that the public welfare demands that these principles be applied to the conduct of the Federal Government through the accession to power of the party that votes them, and we solemnly declare that the need of a return to these fundamental principles of free popular government, based on home rule and individual liberty, was never more urgent than now, when the tendency to centralize all power at the Federal Capital has become a menace to the reserved rights of the States that strikes at the very roots of our Government and under the Constitution as framed by the fathers of the Republic.

Section 2.—We warn the people of our common country, jealous for the preservation of their free institutions, that the policy of the Federal control of elections to which the Republican party has committed itself, is fraught with the gravest dangers, scarcely less momentous than would result from a revolution practically establishing monarchy on the ruins of the Republic. It strikes at the North as well as the South, and injured the colored citizen even more than the white; it means a horde of deputy marshals at every polling place, armed with Federal power, returning boards appointed and controlled by Federal authority, the outrage of the electoral rights of the people in the several States, the subjugation of the colored people to the control of the party in power, and the reviving of reserved rights now happily abated, of the utmost peril to the safety and happiness of all; a measure deliberately and justly described by a leading Republican Senator as "the most important bill that has ever passed the Senate." Such a policy, if sanctioned by law, would mean the dominance of a self-perpetuating oligarchy of office-holders, and the party first entrusted with its machinery could be dislodged from power only by an appeal to the reserved rights of the people to resist oppression, which is inherent in all self-governing communities. Two years ago this revolutionary policy was emphatically condemned by the people at the polls, but in contempt of that verdict the Republican party has defiantly declared its latest authoritative utterance that its success in the coming elections will mean the enactment of the Force bill and the usurpation of despotic control over elections in all the States.

Believing that the preservation of republican government in the United States is dependent on the defeat of this policy of legalized force and fraud, we invite the assistance of all citizens who desire to see the Constitution maintained in its integrity, with the laws pursuant thereto, which have given our country a hundred years of unexampled prosperity; and we pledge the Democratic party, if it be entrusted with power, not only to the defeat of the Force bill, but also to the most energetic opposition to the Republican policy of profligate expenditure, which, in the short space of two years, has squandered an enormous surplus and emptied an overflowing treasury, after piling new burdens of taxation upon the already overtaxed labor of the country.

Section 3.—We denounce the Republican protection policy as a fraud—the labor of the great majority of the American people for the benefit of the few. We declare to be a fundamental principle of the Democratic party that the Federal Government has no constitutional power to impose and collect tariff duties except for the purpose of revenue only, and we demand that the collection of such duties be made in the most honest and economically administered.

We denounce the McKinley tariff law enacted by the Fifty-first Congress as the culminating atrocity of class legislation; we invoke the aid of the Democratic party to the present Congress to modify its most oppressive features in the direction of free raw material and cheaper manufactured goods that enter into home consumption, and we propose its repeal as one of the benefits that will follow the action of the people in trusting power to the Democratic party.

Since the McKinley tariff went into operation there have been 10 reductions of wages for laboring men, and we deny that there has been any increase of prosperity to the country since that tariff went into operation, and we point to the dullness and distress, the wage reductions and strikes in the iron trade as the best possible evidence that the McKinley act.

We call the attention of thoughtful Americans to the fact that after 30 years of restrictive taxes against the importation of foreign wealth in exchange for our agricultural surplus, the home market of our country have become burdened with a real estate mortgage debt of over \$2,000,000,000, exclusive of other forms of indebtedness; that in one of the chief agricultural States of the West there appears a mortgage debt of over \$165 per capita of the population; and that similar conditions and tendencies are shown to exist in the other agricultural exporting States. We denounce a policy which fosters an industry so much as it does that of the farmer.

Section 4.—Trade interchange on the basis of reciprocal advantages to the countries participating is a time-honored doctrine of the Democratic faith, but we denounce the sham reciprocity which juggles with the people's desire for enlarged markets, and which offers free relations for a country whose articles of export are almost exclusively agricultural products with other countries that are also agricultural, while erecting a custom house barrier of prohibitive tariff taxes against the rich and the countries of the world that stand ready to take our entire surplus of products, and to exchange therefor commodities which are necessities and comforts of life among our own people.

Section 5.—We recognize in trusts and combinations, which are designed to enable capital to secure more than its just share of the joint product of capital and labor, a natural consequence of the prohibitive taxes which prevent the free competition which is the life of honest trade, but we believe that their worst evils can be abated by law, and we demand the rigid enforcement of the laws made to prevent and control them, together with such further legislation in restraint of their abuses as experience may show to be necessary.

Section 6.—The Republican party, while professing a policy of reserving the public land for small holdings by actual settlers, has given away the people's heritage till now a few rich and non-resident alien, individual and corporate, possess a larger area than that of all our farms between the two seas. The last Democratic administration reversed the improvident and unwise policy of the Republican party, touching the public domain, and reclaimed from corporations and syndicates, alien and domestic, and restored to the people nearly 100,000,000 acres of valuable land to be sacredly held as homesteads for our citizens, and we pledge ourselves to continue this policy, so that every acre of land so unlawfully held shall be reclaimed and restored to the people.

Section 7.—We denounce the Republican legislation known as the Sherman act of 1890 as a cowardly make-shift, fraught with possibilities of danger in the future, which should make all of its supporters as well as its author, anxious for its speedy repeal. We hold to the use of both gold and silver as the standard money of the country, and to the coinage of both gold and silver without discrimination against either metal, or change for coinage, but the dollar unit of coinage of both metals must be of equal intrinsic and exchangeable value, or be adjusted through international agreement or by such safeguards of legislation as shall insure the maintenance of the parity of these metals, and the equal power of every dollar at all times in the markets and in the payments of debts. We demand that all paper

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Maine cast one vote for W. C. Whitney, Massachusetts one for Governor Russell, West Virginia one for Governor Pattison, North Carolina 17 for A. E. Stevenson, 1 for Croker and 1 for Morrison, Alabama 6 for Croker and 1 for Morrison, Kentucky 6 for Carlisle, and Ohio 3 for Carlisle.

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Section 8.—The convention hereby renews the expression of appreciation of the patriotism of the soldiers and sailors of the Union in the war for its preservation, and extends to the widows and dependents, but we demand that the work of the pension office shall be done industriously, impartially and honestly. We denounce the present administration of that office as incompetent, corrupt, disgraceful and dishonest.

Section 9.—The federal government should care for and improve the Mississippi river and other great waterways of the republic, so as to secure the interior States easy and cheap transportation to the seaboard. When any waterway of the republic is of sufficient importance to demand the aid of the government, that such aid should be extended by a definite plan of continuous work until permanent improvement is secured.

Section 10.—For the purposes of national defense and the promotion of commerce between the States, we recognize the early construction of the Nicaragua canal and its control by the United States as of great importance to the United States.

Section 11.—Recognizing the World's Columbian Exposition as a national undertaking of vast importance, in which the general government has incurred the co-operation of all the powers of the world, and appreciating the acceptance by many of such powers of the invitation extended and the broad liberal efforts being made by them to contribute to the grandeur of the undertaking, we demand that such contributions should be such as shall be requisite to the maintenance of the national honor and public faith.

Section 12.—Popular education being the only safe basis of popular suffrage, we recommend to the several States most liberal appropriations for the public schools. Free common schools are the nursery of good government, and they have always received the fostering care of the Democratic party, which favors every means of increasing intelligence. Freedom of education being an essential part of a religious liberty, as well as a necessity for the development of intelligence, must not be interfered with under any pretext whatever. We are opposed to State interference with parental rights, and in conscience in the education of their children, an infringement of the fundamental Democratic doctrine that the largest individual liberty consistent with the rights of others insures the highest type of American citizenship and the best government.

Section 13.—We approve the action of the present house of representatives in passing bills for the admission into the Union as States of the Territories of New Mexico and Arizona, and we favor the early admission of Alaska, should be found necessary population and resources to entitle them to statehood, and while they remain Territories we hold that the officials appointed to administer the government of any Territory, together with the Districts of Columbia and Alaska, should be bonded as residents of the Territory or district in which their duties are to be performed. The Democratic party believes in home rule, and the control of their own affairs by the people of the Territory.

Section 14.—We favor legislation by congress and State legislatures to protect the lives and limbs of railway employees, and those of other hazardous transportation companies, and denounce the inactivity of the Republican party, and particularly the Republican senate, for causing the defeat of measures beneficial and protective to this class of wage workers.

Section 15.—We are in favor of the enactment of laws for the abolition of the notorious sweating system, for abolishing contract convict labor, and for prohibiting the employment in factories of children under 15 years of age.

Section 16.—We are opposed to all summary laws as an interference with the individual rights of the citizens.

Section 17.—We are in favor of the intelligent judgment of the American people. It asks a change of administration and a change of party, in order that there may be a change of system and a change of methods, thus assuring the maintenance of unimpaired institutions under which the republic has grown great and powerful.

Section 18.—The protection which British juries afford to men who abuse their wives is extraordinary, and this is a striking case: At Leeds a man named Knight, whose wife had deserted him on account of his violence and intemperance, went to see her to ask her to return home, and because she refused he fired three shots at her, hitting her each time, wounding her in the arm, back and ear. The jury found that the prisoner fired only with the intent to "frighten his wife," and the man had to be discharged.

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Copper by the Thousand Tons.

Years ago, when it was known that the supply of copper in the Lake Superior region was very large, and the uses of that metal in the arts were confined to certain well-established limits, no doubt there were people who foresaw a glut of the copper market, and looked for the time, not far removed, when copper mining would scarcely pay expenses, for want of sufficient demand for the article. But in the period, say twenty years, which has since elapsed, many things have happened, one of which is the invention of the telephone. It is a remarkable device, and one of never-ceasing interest as well as utility; but it would not at first glance appear to have any special relation to the copper-mining industry. One of its recent phases, however, has a very material bearing upon that interest. It is stated that the American Bell Telephone Company has fifty lines of long-distance telephone in process of construction from Chicago to New York, and that each will require two lines of wire, making 100 lines of single wire. The distance from New York to Chicago being but a trifle less than 1,000 miles, here is, approximately, a total of 100,000 miles of copper wire. Its weight is 774 pounds to the mile, giving an aggregate of more than 17,000,000 pounds, or over 8,500 tons. This is about 1,500 tons more, it is said, than the entire production of the Tamarack, one of the leading copper mines of the Lake Superior region, for the year 1890. Twenty years ago, or even ten years ago, the most far-seeing observer could not have anticipated this demand upon the copper-producing resources of the country. And whether in electrical science or in any other department of human effort, it is just as impossible at this moment to make a forecast of the situation which will exist in 1900 or 1910 as it was in 1870 or 1880 to predict the advances which have been made between those dates and the present. It is difficult to realize, as regards the progress of invention, that the future is a sealed book precisely as the past has been. But it is a reasonable belief that the wonders of the future will surpass those of the past; for the work of one decade only broadens the foundation for the next.—Mechanical News.

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